To: Dwyer, Stacey[Dwyer.Stacey@epa.gov]

Cc: Durant, Jennah[Durant.Jennah@epa.gov]; Garcia, David[Garcia.David@epa.gov]; Shaikh,

Taimur[Shaikh.Taimur@epa.gov] **From:** Wooster, Richard

Sent: Wed 4/25/2018 2:33:20 PM

Subject: Re: Media question--TMDL for III. River

I think Stacey's answer is fine also.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 25, 2018, at 9:19 AM, Dwyer, Stacey < <u>Dwyer.Stacey@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

I believe our answer should be geared toward this: EPA has developed the models and the State Agencies will decide how to proceed to address the watershed.

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On Apr 25, 2018, at 8:50 AM, Durant, Jennah < <u>Durant.Jennah@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

David wanted me to check with you on wording.

From: Wooster, Richard

Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 8:49 AM **To:** Durant, Jennah < <u>Durant.Jennah@epa.gov</u>>

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You are correct. We might want to find a politically sensitive way to express. David Gray probably will be interested in the details. A couple points I think are important: (1) EPA has worked with both States and Cherokee Nation to develop technically robust models which will support development of TMDLs by States, should they determine TMDLs to be the best path forward to restore and protect water quality; (2) EPA recognizes a variety of approaches in addition to TMDLs, watershed based plans for example, which can lead to water quality improvement.

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Hi Rich, a reporter asked whether EPA is developing a TMDL for the Illinois River. It's my understanding we are not. What is the best way to word that?

Thanks, Jennah x2287